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SUBJECT: US-BOLIVIAN TREATY ON EXCHANGE OF PENAL SANCTIONS

JUSTICE FOR MIKE ABBELL, OFFICE OF ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

1. IN TELCON JULY 12 ABBELL INFORMED CONSUL THAT US MAGISTRATES SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE ON OR ABOUT JULY 18 WOULD BE BRINGING WITH THEM ONE BOLIVIAN PRISONER WHO NKS ELECTED TO TRANSFER UNDER THE TREATY, NAMED SIMON MICHAEL HABOT. CONSUL MENTIONED THIS TO SUBSECRETARY OF JUSTICE BALLIVIAN, WHO WAS COMPLETELY UN-INFORMED. HE ASKED HOW THIS COULD BE POSSIBLE WHEN THE TREATY WAS NOT EVEN IN FORCE YET, AND ASSERTED THAT NO REQUEST FOR TRANSFER HAD BEEN MADE BY THE GOB THAT HE WAS AWARE OF. CONSUL POINTED OUT THAT ARTICLE V OF THE TREATY EMPOWERS THE BOLIVIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON TO MAKE SUCH A REQUEST TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, AND THAT MOST PROBABLY THE FORMAL REQUEST AND OTHER NECESSARY PROCEDURES WERE AWAITING THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE TREATY.

2. IT SEEMS THAT THE REAL PROBLEM IS ONE OF COMMUNICATION WITHIN THE BOLIVIAN GOVERNMENT. NEVERTHELESS, DR BALLIVIAN ASKED TO BE PROVIDED WITH WHATEVER INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ABOUT HABOT'S INTENDED TRANSFER, INCLUDING

IF POSSIBLE A FIRM DATE OF ARRIVAL, SO THAT HIS MINISTRY

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CAN MAKE THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR HIS RECEPTION. REQUEST DEPARTMENT INFORM EMBASSY OF HABOT'S SITUATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

3. REQUEST ALSO LATEST STATUS OF SENATE RATIFICATION AND ESTIMATE OF WHEN TREATY IS LIKELY TO COME INTO EFFECT. HAS BOLIVIAN EMBASSY RECEIVED THE DOCUMENTS NECESSARY

FOR EXCHANGE OF RATIFICATIONS?

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